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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of November 3, 2000, the period for response to which having been extended by one month to March 3, 2001, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the heading "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" at page 1, please add the following paragraph:

*Substitute specification*  
~~Reissue divisional applications have been filed, all of which are reissues of Patent No. 5,600,672 and divisional applications of reissue application 09/244,037. These further applications are: 09/677,421, filed October 5, 2000; 09/678,014, filed October 5, 2000; 09/677,420, filed October 5, 2000; 09/680,177, filed October 5, 2000; 09/680,176, filed October 5, 2000; 09/686,467, filed October 12, 2000; 09/686,463, filed October 12, 2000; 09/686,466, filed October 12, 2000; 09/688,028, filed October 12, 2000; 09/686,464, filed October 12, 2000; 09/686,465, filed October 12, 2000; 09/666,012, filed September 19, 2000; 09/667,525, filed September 21, 2000; 09/667,438, filed September 21, 2000; 09/668,068, filed September 25, 2000; 09/662,695, filed September 15,~~